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SUBJECT: **HEALTH AUTHORITY LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE**

The following is a summary of arrests made by Health Authority Law Enforcement Task Force (HALT) during March 2009:

March 2009	
Charges	Arrests
Illegal Pharmaceuticals	2
Unlicensed Dentists	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>

In the First Supervisorial District, HALT arrested two individuals on charges related to the unlicensed practice of dentistry. These individuals were identified, but not located, during a previous investigation of an unlicensed dental practice which HALT shut down in September 2007. Two other suspects were arrested at that time.

In the Second Supervisorial District, HALT arrested one individual on a warrant that was issued as part of an on-going investigation of a group of individuals that was selling controlled substances. At the time of the arrest, HALT seized numerous controlled substances including, Oxycontin, Vicodin and Dilaudid, with an estimated street value of \$7,000.

In the Third Supervisorial District, HALT arrested a suspect who was forging physician prescriptions in an effort to illegally obtain controlled substances.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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